THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Some Indian ships have been detained for deficiencies, which in view of the Maritime Administration could not be regarded as detainable deficiencies and did not render the ships substantially substandard or unseaworthy, to be subjected to detention.

(c) The house keeping standards of Indian ships have improved due to sustained efforts in this direction over last 4 to 5 years. Memoranda of Understanding on Port State Control have devised target factors for ships for enhanced Port State Control Inspections on the basis of their age, past record of owners. Classification Societies and the flag states etc. Generally, the MOUs target the ships on the basis of ships coming into high factor and there is no discrimination reported on this ground.

Bridges on National Highways in Goa

1026. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and the names of bridges under construction on National Highways in Goa;

(b) the number and names of bridges proposed to be constructed, if any, on National Highways in the State of Goa; and

(c) the estimated cost of each of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA) : (a) No bridges are under construction on National Highways in Goa at present.

(b) There is no proposal for construction of any bridges on National Highways in the State of Goa during Annual Plan 2005-2006.

(c) Does not arise.

Concession to SSI

†1027. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the concessions that have been given to small scale industries;

(b) whether measures have been taken to see that the large scale industries do not usurp the concessions meant for small industries; and

(c) the details thereof?

†Original notice of question was received in Hindi.